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For : AN ORAL FORMULATION FOR GASTROINTESTINAL
DRUG DELIVERY

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.112
IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED OCTOBER 20, 2005**

Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Customer Service Window, Mail Stop Amendment
Randolph Building
401 Dulany Street
Alexandria VA 22314

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 20, 2005, which sets a three-month shortened statutory period for response until January 20, 2006.

Applicant notes that this response is being filed by the initial due date for response, whereby an extension of time and the government fee associated therewith should not be necessary. However, if any extension of time is required to maintain the pendency of this application and/or if any fee is necessary, this is an express request for any required extension of time and authorization to charge any required fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Entry of the instant amendment, with reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.